PUBLIC NOTICE - HALIFAX COUNTY AND TOWNS REGIONAL WATER SUPPLY PLAN

PURPOSE OF NOTICE: To seek public comment on the Halifax County and Towns Regional Water Supply Plan submitted to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) under §9 VAC 25-780, et seq, Local and Regional Water Supply Planning regulation.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD: November 19, 2012 to December 21, 2012

DESCRIPTION OF THE WATER SUPPLY PLAN: The Halifax County Regional Water Supply Plan ("Plan"), dated May 23, 2011, identifies existing water sources, estimates current and future water demand, and assesses the need for additional sources for future water supply for the County of Halifax, and the towns of Halifax, Scottsburg, Virgilina, and South Boston. DEQ has issued a tentative determination of compliance to the Halifax County Administrator, Mr. Jim Halasz. The following is a brief summary of the Plan:

Halifax County and towns are located in the Roanoke River Basin. The Halifax County Regional Water Supply Plan identifies ground water and the Dan and Roanoke Rivers as principal water supply sources. The Plan identifies community water systems that are ground water based and those that use stream intakes on the Dan and Roanoke rivers. Self-supplied agricultural and non-agricultural users are also identified. The region plans to address a 2035 projected shortfall of municipal supply due to future demand by requesting an increase in the permitted withdrawal amount on the Dan River.

HOW TO COMMENT: DEQ accepts written comments by e-mail, or postal mail. Written comments should include the name, address, and telephone number of the person commenting and must be received by DEQ during the comment period. The regional water supply plan is available from the contact below or on the DEQ website at www.deq.virginia.gov. Upon review of written comments submitted in response to this public notice, DEQ will make a final compliance determination decision.

CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Tammy Stephenson, DEQ Office of Water Supply, 3019 Peters Creek Road, Roanoke VA 24019; Phone: 540-562-6828; E-mail: tammy.stephenson@deq.virginia.gov.